

#### **4/10/15 Update on Sirenusa Condo Methyl Bromide Release, Cruz Bay, St. John**

On 4/13 1 OSC, 1 ERT personnel, and 1 SERES Contractor will travel to St. John to conduct ventilation of Units J upper and lower and a 24-hour Summa canister sampling event. The ventilation be conducted on 4/14 and the sampling event will be completed on 4/16. Results of these samples will assist decision makers in the clearing of the condos for re-occupancy.

Today ATSDR continued with interviews on St. Thomas, guest interviews are also ongoing. 7 of 8 first responders have been interviewed. 1 police officer remains to be interviewed however. All Sirenusa employees that ATSDR would like to interview have been identified, 3 of 7 have been interviewed. 3 have declined to be interviewed. ATSDR is hoping to interview the final individual on 4/10. 11 Sirenusa guests have been identified for interview. Contact has been made with all but 3. Appointments are being made to conduct these interviews. Interviews are scheduled to start 4/10. VI DPNR and DOH have decided that clearance of condo units for re-occupancy will be accomplished jointly. EPA OSCs are assisting ATSDR with logistical support.

The REOC continued working with EPA Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch to evaluate options for management of existing stocks of the fumigant. Stocks of Methyl Bromide have been identified at facilities on St. Thomas and St. Croix, consisting of one cylinder at each of two facilities. REOC has been in contact with the distributors of the cylinders on St. Croix and St. Thomas and is arranging transportation off island, in coordination with CID and DOJ. REOC has also been coordinating with ATSDR regarding clearance values for re-occupancy.

R2 REOC remains the point of contact for all EPA's activities related to this incident.

EPA is still working cooperatively with DPNR, EPA CID, DOJ, St. John Police Department, Terminix, ATSDR, USVI DOH and the condo complex management company.